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SUBJ: NWC-11 NDU FIELD STUDIES PROGRAM IN BARBADOS

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1. WE ARE UNABLE TO CONFIRM SUNDAY APRIL 23 DEPARTURE FROM BRIDGETOWN ON BWIA 400 OR ANY OTHER EASTERN OR AMERICAN AIRLINE FLIGHT. BWIA STRIKE AND LACK OF ALTERNATE CAPACITY DURING HEAVY TOURIST SEASON ARE REASONS. AIRLINE OFFICIALS HERE INDICATE THAT IT VERY UNLIKELY SIX STANDBY PLACES WOULD OPEN UP BETWEEN NOW AND APRIL 23. NWC-11 TEAM MAY EXPECT A WAIT OF SEVERAL DAYS SHOULD CONFIRMED RESERVATIONS REMAIN ELUSIVE AND THEN THERE IS NO GUARANTEE THAT ALTERNATE ARRANGEMENTS ARE POSSIBLE. EMBASSY WILL CONTINUE EFFORTS OBTAIN SEATS AND PROMPTLY ADVISE OF MORE POSITIVE DEVELOPMENTS.

2. THERE IS OUTSIDE POSSIBILITY OF INVITATION FOR NWC-11 TEAM TO FORMAL QUEEN'S BIRTHDAY PARTY NIGHT OF APRIL 21. PLEASE ADVISE IF TEAM HAS FORMAL ATTIRE--I.E.DRESS UNIFORMS,
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3. PRIME MINISTER AND MINISTER OF FINANCE TOM ADAMS WILL NOT BE ON THE ISLAND DURING YOUR SCHEDULED VISIT BUT DEPUTY PRIME MINISTER HAS EXPRESSED HIS DESIRE TO MEET WITH TEAM THE AFTERNOON OF APRIL 21. OTHER ACTIVITIES PLANNED INCLUDE EMBASSY BRIEFING, OTHER

BUSINESS CALLS, TOUR OF PORT, SUGAR INDUSTRY BRIEFING
AND FACTORY TOUR, LUNCH AT NAVAL FACILITY AND RECEPTION
AT AMBASSADOR'S RESIDENCE.

4. WE RECOMMEND NWC ALSO PURSUE ALTERNATE TRAVEL
ARRANGEMENTS IN VIEW OF PROBLEMS NOTED IN PARA 1.
POSSIBLE AIRLINE HEAD OFFICES COULD PROVIDE
SEATS WHICH BRANCH OFFICES HERE CANNOT.
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